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SUBJECT: WEEKLY REPORT

1. EDITORIAL COMMENT IN LOCAL PRESS OVER SUSPENSION (UNIVERSALLY TERMED "FAILURE" HERE) OF SECRETARY'S MISSION IN PART SUPERSEDED BY ASSASSINATION OF KING FAISAL. WHILE VIEWS DIFFERED SEVERAL EDITORIALS ATTACKED SHARPLY U.S. MIDEAST POLICY AND INTENTIONS. FROM AR RA'I AL AM -DAILY NEWS PARALLEL EDITORIALS: "WASHINGTON'S FAILURE HAVE ISRAEL OUT OF SINAI INDICATES WASHINGTON DOES NOT WANT ISRAEL TO WITHDRAW, GIVING EVIDENCE THAT RELIANCE SOME ARABS PLACE ON KISSINGER IS USELESS... IT (FAITH IN U.S.) WILL TEMPT U.S. STAB US FURTHER." IN OTHER EDITORIAL THESE PAPERS SAW U.S. - SOVIET COLLUSION IN MIDEAST AND SAID: "ALL THE DISASTERS OF WORLD ARE MAKING OF AMERICANS AND RUSSIANS." AL QABAS NOTED THAT THE SECRETARY CAN PLAY EFFECTIVE ROLE IN FUTURE, BUT HENCEFORTH ONLY IN COORDINATION WITH SOVIETS AND THIS IS WHAT U.S. NOW SEEKS. SAME PAPER CONCLUDES THAT OPENING OF SUEZ CANAL SHOWS EGYPTIAN CONFIDENCE IN 'DEAR KISSINGER' REMAINS UNSHAKEN." AL WATAN CARTOON SHOWS U.S. AND USSR CARRYING BOMB WITH BURNING FUSE TO GENEVA. AS-SIYASSA SAYS THAT U. S. IS NOT SERIOUS ABOUT GOING TO GENEVA AND IS "NOT WILLING TO ACCEPT FAILURE OF ITS MIDEAST POLICIES SO EASILY" BUT DOES NOT SAY WHAT IT EXPECTS U.S. TO DO NEXT.

2. VTR OF ABC SADAT ACTION BIOGRAPHY WELL RECEIVED IN THREE
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SHOWINGS FOR LOCAL NEWSMEN AND EDUCATORS. ONE JOURNALIST ASKED

WHETHER THIS REALLY SHOWN IN U.S. SAID HE HAD NOT EXPECTED SUCH
SYMPATHETIC PRESENTATION. PLANNING OTHER SHOWINGS FOR ARAB
DIPLOMATS, UNIVERSITY PROFESSORS AND NEWMEN. JENNINGS ONE
OF MOST POPULAR WESTERN JOURNALISTS, WHICH HAS ADDED TO APPEAL.

3. HALL IN BAHRAIN-QATAR THROUGHOUT WEEK. UNDELAND DEPARTS ON
LEAVE APRIL 5 -15. HALL WILL BE BACK AND IN CHARGE.
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